



**REGULAR MEETING OF COUNCIL  
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2015  
30 HONOUR HOUSE COURT  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
7:00 P.M.**

A Regular Meeting of Council was held on Monday, February 9, 2015 at Town Hall, 30 Honour House Court, Riverview, New Brunswick commencing at 7:00 p.m. The following persons were present at the meeting:

Ann Seamans	Mayor
Ian Macdonald	Councillor
Wayne Bennett	Councillor
Lana Hansen	Councillor
Andrew LeBlanc	Councillor
Tom Toner	Councillor
Colin Smith	Chief Administrative Officer
Robert Higson	Director of Finance
Michel Ouellet	Director of Engineering & Works
Shane Thomson	Director of Economic Development
Tina Smith	Director of Human Resources
Gerry Cole	Director of Parks, Recreation & Community Services
Chief Denis Pleau	Riverview Fire & Rescue
Supt. Paul Beauchesne	Codiac RCMP
Annette Crummey	Town Clerk
Denyse Richard	Deputy Clerk
Times-Transcript	

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Seamans called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Toner and seconded by Councillor Macdonald that the agenda be adopted.

**- MOTION CARRIED –**

**3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

**NIL**

**4. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

**A) Regular Meeting of Council – January 12, 2015**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Macdonald and seconded by Councillor Toner that the minutes for the Regular Meeting of Council held on January 12, 2015 be adopted.

**- MOTION CARRIED –**

**B) Committee of the Whole/Special Council Meeting – January 26, 2015**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Macdonald and seconded by Councillor Bennett that the minutes for the Committee of the Whole/Special Council meeting held on January 26, 2015 be adopted.

**- MOTION CARRIED –**

**5) BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**NIL**

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

**A) Kurtis Sisk, CEO, Heart & Stroke Foundation of NB – Promotion of February as Heart Month in NB**

Taken as information.

**B) Mayor George LeBlanc – Requesting written support for the establishment of a Greater Moncton Local Immigration Partnership**

Mr. Thomson noted that he had touched on this item in the Department's monthly report. He indicated that he currently sits on the Immigration Roundtable for the Greater Moncton Area. He remarked that one of the goals of the Committee was to formalize the structure of a local immigration partnership and is seeking the support from the tri-communities.

Mayor Seamans directed Shane Thomson to compose a letter of support on behalf of the Town of Riverview.

**7. PETITIONS, PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

**A) Presentation by Cathy Manuel, Associate Director of the Youth Impact Jeunesse – Fundraising initiative entitled “The Coldest Night of the Year”**

Ms. Manuel provided an outline of the upcoming fund raising event geared toward helping the hungry, hurting and the homeless. She noted that the walk (either a 2km, 5km or 10km) will serve to raise public awareness for the challenges faced at this time of year by the homeless. She noted that they were formerly known as Moncton Youth Residences and have five locations in the area; namely, Moncton, Sussex, Saint John, Quispamsis and Fredericton. Ms. Manuel remarked that the monies raised from the “walk” will assist in two aspects of the operation including Youth Quest Central which is a drop in location where youth aged 16-24 can access food, clothing, laundry, shower facilities, computers, obtain their GED, and job skills training. The second target is the Transitional Housing which is an independent living program where youth aged 16-20 can reside from three months to a year where they learn to be more independent. She noted that it is located on MacBeath Avenue. She indicated that the walk is scheduled to take place on Saturday, February 21<sup>st</sup> and their fundraising goal is \$30,000. Ms. Manuel noted that the Cocoa Room is a sponsor of the event, and she welcomed the Mayor, Council and the citizens of Riverview to participate.

**B) Verbal Update from Co-Chairs of the Town of Riverview Sustainability Committee**

Micha Fardy introduced the members of the Sustainability Committee who were present in the audience which included Dan Stote, Amanda Hachey, Sebastien Arcand, Jill Edwards and Sarah Hickey. She reported that as a result of the latest meeting the committee had confirmed a series of engagement activities which will be implemented over the next five weeks.

Adrienne O'Pray remarked that the next stage in the process is the engagement of the community in order to establish a vision. She indicated that a number of Vision Cafes will be planned over the next three to four weeks. Mrs. O'Pray noted that currently the Committee is seeking input through a Sustainability Survey. She pointed out that the goal is to obtain 400 completed surveys and to date 200 have been received. Mrs. O'Pray indicated that the survey is available on-line and that participants who complete the survey will have an opportunity to win a bike from Bob's Sports Shop located on Coverdale Road. Mrs. O'Pray noted that plans are underway to hold a symposium with the tentative dates being April 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>. She noted that there will be key note speakers, the launch of the vision statement and a series of workshop designed to engage the youth, seniors and families of Riverview.

Ms. Fardy confirmed with Councillor Toner that they would like the members of Council to get the word out about the Sustainability Survey and also encourage people to attend the various activities planned to engage the community as involvement and feedback is most welcome.

Councillor LeBlanc stated that the committee is doing incredible work on behalf of our community. He expressed his appreciation for their efforts.

**8. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**

**A) Ratify Unforeseen Grant requests – Riverview Band Parents Association, NB Building Officials Association & State of the Province 2015**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Toner and seconded by Councillor LeBlanc that the Riverview Town Council support the Riverview Parents

Band Association cultural exchange trip in May 2015 in Kelowna, BC for 33 Riverview students at \$100 each.

**- MOTION CARRIED -**

A **motion** was made by Councillor LeBlanc and seconded by Councillor Toner that the Riverview Town Council approve the sponsorship request from New Brunswick Building Officials Association in the amount of \$250 for the Annual General meeting to be held in Saint John from February 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>.

**- MOTION CARRIED -**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Hansen and seconded by Councillor Toner that the Riverview Town Council approve the purchase of a table of 8 for the State of Province 2015 address held on January 28, 2015.

**- MOTION CARRIED -**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Toner and seconded by Councillor Hansen that the Riverview Town Council deny the request for financial support from the Atlantic Cancer Research Institute.

**NAY VOTES: COUNCILLOR MACDONALD**

**- MOTION CARRIED -**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Hansen and seconded by Councillor Toner that the Riverview Town Council deny the request for the donation in the amount of \$500 for Interdisciplinary Health Research Day submitted by the University of Moncton.

**- MOTION CARRIED -**

**B) Notice of Intention to proceed with Local Improvements on a portion of Trites Road (Phase 2) and a portion of Cherry Court**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Macdonald and seconded by Councillor Bennett that Town Council authorize the necessary steps (including but not limited to the passing of the attached resolution of intent and the respective by-laws) be taken to proceed with the proposed local improvement to a portion of Trites Road – Phase 2 and a portion of Cherry Court and that:

The notice required by Section 3.a. shall be set out in the form as shown below:

**Notice of INTENTION TO UNDERTAKE A LOCAL IMPROVEMENT**

The Council of the Town of Riverview pursuant to the authority vested in it under the provisions of the Municipalities Act, R.S.N.B. 1973, c. M-22 and Town of Riverview By-Law 300-25 hereby gives notice to all concerned parties that it intends to undertake a local improvement to be paid for by special frontage assessment against abutting properties.

**THE WORK TO BE DONE IS AS FOLLOWS:**

The Town of Riverview intends to undertake repairs to the existing storm and sanitary sewer system, replacement of the existing road sub-base, installation of catch basins to eliminate the road side ditches, installation of curb and gutter and sidewalks and placement of asphalt on a portion of Trites Road and on a portion of Cherry Court. The Town of Riverview intends to specially assess the cost upon the owners of lands abutting directly on the work.

**THE PROPERTIES AFFECTED ARE IN AN AREA DESCRIBED AS:**

The following parcels, zoned residential, are located inside the work boundary; (PID 1037225, PID 786616, and PID 5078241). Said parcels are all owned by Greater Moncton Development Ltd.

Unless a majority of the owners of abutting parcels proposed to be specially assessed, having a value of at least one-half of all the abutting parcels proposed to be specially assessed, petition Council within two weeks of the last publication of the notice against proceeding with the proposed work, Council may by By-Law, passed by the affirmative vote of not less than two-thirds of the whole Council, at any time within three years, authorize and direct the undertaking of such work, and order that the cost thereof shall be raised by special frontage assessment.

The last publication of the notice shall be on February 17, 2015.

For more information or to review a copy of the proposed By-Law, please contact the Town Clerk at 506-387-2136.”

**- MOTION CARRIED –**

**C) Approval of Policy on Mobile Food Vendors**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Toner and seconded by Councillor Hansen that the Riverview Town Council adopt the policy entitled “Providing for Mobile Vendors on Public Property.

On the question, Mr. Thomson confirmed with Councillor LeBlanc that the business community at large was not consulted on the policy; however, the policy was provided to the vendors and sought their input. He noted that the only change to the policy that was originally introduced on November 24<sup>th</sup> was some minor changes to the language of the by-law.

On the question, Mr. Thomson confirmed with Councillor LeBlanc that the intent of the policy was not to stipulate certain areas that vendors could locate but rather to control their placement on Town owned property. Mr.

Thomson pointed out everyone would be required to adhere to the Zoning By-Law requirements as well as the Peddling & Hawking By-Law. He remarked that the Town is encouraging the presence of vendors and wanted to provide a structure.

On the question, Councillor LeBlanc indicated his pleasure that the Town had reached out to engage the vendors.

On the question, Mr. Thomson confirmed with Councillor Macdonald that vendors would have to comply not only with Town regulations, such as the Zoning By-Law, but also health regulations governed by the Province.

On the question, Councillor Bennett inquired whether people would know they were required to conform to the requirements of the Zoning By-Law.

On the question, Mr. Thomson pointed out that any person or party contemplating anything on land should consult the Zoning By-Law to determine whether it is a permitted use and/or any restrictions which may apply. Mr. Thomson pointed out that the Zoning map is located on the Town's web site.

On the question, Mr. Smith remarked that any vendor operating on private land must obtain approval from the private property owner and further the property owner should make the vendor aware that they must adhere to the regulations contained in the Zoning By-Law and/or other regulatory by-laws.

**- MOTION CARRIED -**

**D) Approval of Addition of Parks & Recreation component to the Public Works Operation Centre**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Toner and seconded by Councillor Bennett that the Riverview Town Council approve the additional \$1.2 million to include the Parks and Recreation components to the existing capital budget plan for the Public Works Operation Centre.

On the question, Mayor Seamans reported that this item had been discussed at great length at the Committee of the Whole meeting held on Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.

On the question, Councillor LeBlanc remarked that he had opposed the motion to recommend to approve the additional expenditure of \$1.2 million dollars as he did not know how to justify more costs.

On the question, Councillor Macdonald stated that while he appreciates the various programs offered by the Parks & Recreation Department the additional funds being sought puts the Town, in his opinion, just past the point we can't afford. He was of the assumption that when the costs went from \$19 million down to \$15 million it was our bottom line and the best that we can afford is \$15 million.

On the question, Councillor Hansen stated that she supports the \$1.2 addition as it will address some of the very real safety concerns that currently exist. She is of the opinion that the Town can either pay and plan now or pay later and try and come up with another plan. Councillor Hansen suggested that the storage of expensive equipment outdoors is a situation that needs to be resolved.

On the question, Mr. Cole confirmed that there are safety issues with respect to the increased activity outside the Parks & Recreation buildings (carpentry shop & arena) both vehicular and pedestrian traffic. He noted that Occupational Health & Safety have identified some issues which if we don't deal with now, we will have to in the near future.

On the question, Councillor Toner indicated that it would most likely cost more down the road. He remarked that there was a misunderstanding as to the composition of the new building and at this point we can't just think of this year but the years to come. Councillor Toner suggested that the Town needs to deal with the safety of our workers and a solution is before us in the form of the additional components to the Public Works Operation Centre.

On the question, Mr. Cole confirmed with Mayor Seamans that outdoor storage is an issue. He remarked that there are pieces of equipment which are critical to the Parks & Recreation operation which are stored outside and are a definite concern. He also pointed out that there is the issue of safety of our clients who we serve at the Parks & Recreation facility being confronted with large pieces of equipment and ride-on mowers. Mr. Cole remarked that the operators are very aware of their surroundings when operating the equipment but the potential for an accident still exists.

On the question, Councillor Bennett stated that he supports the motion. He suggested that the construction of the Public Works Operation Centre with



the addition of the Parks & Recreation component is a turning point for the future of the Town. He recognizes that the additional cost will impact the debt ratio.

On the question, Mr. Higson confirmed with Councillor Bennett that the debt ratio will be impacted for the life of the term of the loan. He pointed out that it will represent an extra \$100,000 per year for the life of the loan.

**NAY VOTES:        COUNCILLOR MACDONALD  
                          COUNCILLOR LEBLANC**

**- MOTION CARRIED -**

**9.    BY-LAWS**

**NIL**

**10.   NOTICE OF MOTION**

**NIL**

**11.   NEW BUSINESS**

**A)    Mayor's appointments – Planning Advisory Committee & Codiac Regional Policing Authority**

Mayor Seamans reappointed Rob Bateman, Shawn Dempsey and Gary Steeves for a two-year term to the Planning Advisory Committee effective immediately.

Mayor Seamans appointed Councillor Tom Toner to the Codiac Regional Policing Authority effective immediately.

**B)    Consideration of 2015 Operational Grants**

A **motion** was made by Councillor Toner and seconded by Councillor Bennett that the Town Council of the Town of Riverview award the 2015 Operational Grants as follows:

292 Coverdale Sea Cadets	\$2,500
Albert County Action Committee	\$6,000
Atlantic Ballet Theatre of Canada	\$3,000
Capitol School of Performing Arts	\$1,000
Frye Festival	\$2,000
Greater Moncton Crime Stoppers	\$1,000
Greater Moncton Music Festival	\$ 750
Greater Moncton Santa Claus Parade	\$ 500
Harmonie Codiac Concert Band	\$ 500
Hospice Greater Moncton	\$1,500
HubCap Comedy Festival Inc.	\$2,500
Immaculate Heart of Mary	\$5,000
MAGMA	\$3,000
Riverview District Girl Guides	\$ 500
Riverview Scouting	\$ 500
Seniors Roundtable	\$ 800
South East Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services Inc.	\$ 250
Support to Single Parents Inc.	\$ 500
Tri Community RCMP Volunteer Policing Service	\$1,500
Tri-County Ground Search & Rescue Group	\$1,000
United Way GMSENB – Youth First	\$1,500
VON Moncton	\$2,000
YMCA Moncton	\$1,000

On the question, Councillor LeBlanc remarked that the intention of the award of an Operational Grant is supposed to be a one-time contribution to a particular group and/or organization for the entire year. He pointed out that Council will have to be cautious in its future unforeseen grant deliberations as there is only approximately \$24,000 available for the remainder of this year.

**NAY VOTES: COUNCILLOR MACDONALD**

**- MOTION CARRIED -**

## **12. COUNCIL STATEMENTS/INQUIRIES**

Councillor Toner remarked that he had a resident who had called concerned with the clearing of the fire hydrants given the amount of snowfall received. Councillor Toner noted that he had reached out to the CAO who had informed him of the contingency plan which was in place to deal with emergency situations. Councillor Toner stated that he

was impressed with the cooperation between the departments which enabled them to deal with the emergency situations that arose.

Chief Pleau commented that the Superintendent of Public Works had been given a firefighter pager so he would be aware of any incoming calls. He noted that, in turn, the Superintendent was able to provide the type of service that was required (ie. clearing of hydrant). Chief Pleau indicated that they had responded to several calls at this time without incident. Chief Pleau noted that the hydrants are being cleared as we speak and are functional. He commented that the hydrants are not perfect but they are accessible and the Public Works Department will keep on task.

Mr. Ouellet confirmed that crews will continue to work every night this week to clear the hydrants to the level which the Town is accustomed.

Councillor Toner stated that he appreciated that the cross country ski trails are in excellent shape, and he encouraged residents to take advantage of the groomed trails. He also commented on the spectacular fireworks display for the kickoff of Winter Carnival.

Councillor Bennett expressed his appreciation to all the town departments for their efforts in making the Winter Carnival celebrations a success. He noted that it really is a group effort to pull off such a great event. Councillor Bennett also expressed his appreciation to the Public Works Department for a tremendous job on snow clearing operations given the number of storms and the amount of snowfall.

Mr. Cole confirmed that often times all the Town departments assist with special events, like the Winter Carnival. He noted that the Town enjoys excellent cooperation from all departments which enables us to put on such great events. Mr. Cole expressed his appreciation to the citizens of Riverview who participated in the Carnival making it such a success. He also commented on the excellent condition of the ski trails and asked the public's cooperation to bear in mind that the ski trails are intended for skiers not four wheelers or snowmobiles. Mr. Cole pointed out that there are specific trails for four wheelers and snowmobilers and asked that they limited themselves to those trails. He noted that the Town will be erecting signage and working with the authorities to protect the ski trails.

Mayor Seamans remarked on the number of positive comments she had received about the events in Riverview as well as the excellent snow plowing operations given the hard winter we are experiencing.

Mr. Cole confirmed with Councillor Bennett that approximately 3000 people were in attendance over the two hour period for the Winter Carnival kickoff event.

Mr. Thomson confirmed with Councillor Bennett that plans are underway for the installation of lights on the new RAC sign. Mr. Thomson commented that the agreement with RAC is currently being finalized.

### 13. ADJOURNMENT

A **motion** was made by Councillor Toner and seconded by Councillor Bennett that the meeting be adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

**- MOTION CARRIED -**